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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PM ODINGA TO THE SECRETARY

Ref: Nairobi 785

1. In reply to the Secretary's letter (Reftel), Post received April 29 the following letter dated April 24 from Prime Minister Raila Odinga. Original to follow via pouch.

2. Quote:

Dear Madam Secretary of State,
I thank you for your letter of April 9, 2009. Your concerns and suggestions regarding the progress of reforms and future stability of Kenya have been received with the spirit of friendship. Appreciable progress has been made in the last twelve months in moving forward the National Reform Agenda. Substantial challenges however remain, particularly resistance from entrenched anti-reform elements interests. A concerted effort by pro-reform elements in Kenya supported by an engaged international community will no doubt make the progress on reforms more rapid. I fully share your concern that issues of impunity and accountability be addressed in order to eliminate the risk of renewed violence and to tackle endemic corruption. Again, our national efforts in this regard will need to be complimented by engagement of friendly countries such as the United States. My determination to push the National Reform Agenda forward within the timelines agreed under the National Accord remains firm.
Yours sincerely,
RT.HON.RAILA ODINGA, EGH, MP

End Quote.

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